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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

| Iransmitted herewith for filing is the PATENT APPLICATION of Inventor(s): Steven Carr | |
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| For (Title): VEHICLE TRACTION IMPROVEMENT SYSTEM | |
| This new application is for a(n): XX Original Design Divisional Continuation Continuation-in-part (CIP) | |

Papers enclosed are:

- 9 Pages of Specification
- 4 Pages of Claims
- 1 Pages of Abstract
- 3 Sheets of Drawings (XX formal/ _informal)
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement
- __ Declaration of Biological Deposit
- Other
- XX Declaration or Oath (XX executed by inventor(s))
- XX Assignment to Volvo Trucks North America, Inc.
- XX Cover sheet for Assignment accompanying new patent application

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The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior US provisional application(s): Filing Date Provisional Application Number Relate Back--35 U.S.C. 120 The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application. Amend the Specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This is a continuation __ continuation-in-part divisional of copending application(s) ____ serial number _____ filed on _____ Inventorship Statement The inventorship for all the claims in this application are: the same. Maintenance of Copendency of Prior Application A petition, fee and response extends the term in the pending prior application until ______. A copy of the petition filed in prior application is attached. Abandonment of Prior Application (if applicable) Please abandon the prior application at a time while the prior application is pending or when the petition for extension of time or to revive in that application is granted and when this application is granted a filing date so as to make this application copending with said prior application.

Claim For Benefit of Prior US Provisional Application - 35 U.S.C. §119(e)